Separate Electorates and ⅓ Quota in Services

Mysore State Muslim League Demands

The All-Mysore State Muslim League at its third annual meeting, held at Mandya on December 13 and 14 last, adopted the following among other resolutions:

1. The Muslims of Mysore assembled in this 3rd Session of the All-Mysore State Muslim League express their deep sorrow at the sad demise of His Highness Sir Krishnaraja Wadiyar Badadur IV, Maharaja of Mysore and offer their respectful condolences to the bereaved Royal Family. They express their deep sentiments of loyalty to the person and Throne of His Highness, Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Bahadur, Maharaja of Mysore.

2. The All-Mysore State Muslim League places on record and appreciates the invaluable services rendered by Mr. M. A. Jinnah, the President of the All-India Muslim League, in the cause of Muslim solidarity and in safeguarding their interests and reaffirms its confidence in his leadership.

3. The State Muslim League appreciates the services rendered by Nawab Bahadur Yar Jung Bahadur, President of the All-India States Muslim League, in the cause of Muslims residing in Indian States and expresses confidence in his leadership.

Protest

4. This Session of the All-Mysore State Muslim League places on record its strong protest against the order of the Government of Mysore "to shift" the ancient Kumbarpet Mosque, Kumbargari road, at Harihar to some other place, considers it as an unwarranted interference in the religious freedom of Muslims and demands from the Government the immediate withdrawal of all orders and notifications affecting the sanctity, status and location of the said Mosque and warns the Government that in case it fails to comply with this legitimate and earnest demand of the Muslim of Mysore, the religious susceptibilities of Muslims in Mysore and outside will gravely be intensified.

5. This Session of the All-Mysore State Muslim League expresses grave concern and auxiety of the Muslims, over the ill-health of Allama Mashriqi, the Khaksar leader, and wholeheartedly supports the resolution of the working Committee of the All-India Muslim League, requesting the Government of India to release the Allama immediately or give him a fair trial in a court of law.

Employment

6. Since the Muslims are gradually being displaced from their trade and profession, on account of opening of many new Industries, etc, this League urges the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, to give employment to Musalmans wherever it lies in its power to do, and to employ them in increasing number in Government and Government Aided factories and companies and in places where Government's influence is felt, so that the consequent suffering and unemployment of Muslims may be reduced to some extent.

7. This Session approves of the disciplinary action taken by Mr. M. A. Jinnah against Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq.

25 % Seats

8. The Government of Mysore be requested to provide adequate number of seats in the Legislative to Muslims since the representation now granted is insufficient to effectively voice the grievances of Muslims. Further this League brings to the notice of the Government that in Madras where the Muslim percentage to the total population is the same as in Mysore, they have been granted 14½ per cent of seats, where as Mysore has granted them only 10 per cent. This League urges the Government to grant at least 25 per cent of the seats in view of their historical importance in the state.

9. This Session of the All-Mysore State Muslim League learns with alarm that the Government of Mysore is contemplating to allot a low quota to Musalmans in the services and it urges the Government, that having regard to the historical importance of the Muslim Community, Muslim share in hse ervices must not be under any circumstances lower than those granted in the Madras Presidency where the proportion of Muslim population to the total strength is the same as in Mysore, but to allot at least three out of every twelve vacancies to Musalmans. This League further desires to bring to the notice of the Government that reduction of Muslim quota on ground of reservation of some seats for alleged efficiency etc. will not be tolerated.

Separate Entity

10. This Session requests the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore not to class Musalmans under the headings "Non-brahmins" but to treat the Muslims as a separate entity in view of their own separate religions, cultural and historical importance.

11. This Session requests the Mysore Government to grant separate electorate to Muslims in local bodies and further desires to bring to the notice of the Government that for adequate and effective representation of Muslims in the said local bodies, at least 30 per cent of the seats must be reserved for Muslims.

12. This Session requests the Government of Mysore to allot separate amount for the Urdu, Persian and Arabic sections in the University and Public libraries in the State.

Aligarh 'Varsity

13. Since the Aligarh Muslim University is a national University for Muslims and since the tendency of studying at Aligarh is daily growing among the Muslims, and the economic conditions of Muslims is in the way of sending their boys in that Muslim Educational centre, this Session of the State Muslim League requests the Government of Mysore to grant at least 25 scholarships every year to Mysore Muslims studying at Aligarh.

14. This Session requests the Government of Mysore to appoint Urdu knowing Muslim teachers in each education Inspector's office.

15. This Session is viewing with great anxiety the non-appointment of Muslims in managing boards of Industrial concerns (both Government and Government-aided) and hereby requests the Government to appoint an appreciable number of Muslims to these boards.

Waqf Act

16. This Session requests the Government of Mysore to introduce an Act, called Mysore Muslims Wakf Act, on lines similar to those in British India.

17. This Session of the All-Mysore State Muslim League requests the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore to appoint competent Muslim judges to decide disputes such as those that arise regarding divorce, marriage, etc., under Mohamedan Law.

By other resolutions the Mysore State Muslim League requested the Postal Authorities to appoint Urdu-knowing Staff, specially in that section which deals with the delivery of the mail, urges the Director of Public Instruction to introduce Urdu as an Additional subject in all High Schools of the State; urged the Government of Mysore not to appoint purely Hindu Judges and Magistrates to try cases of rioting between Musalmans and Hindus; decided to appoint a Conciliation Board to decide disputes among Musalmans and to help the authorities and other bodies to bring about and maintain good relations between Muslims and Non-Muslims; elected the following office-bearers to hold office till the next sessions of the All-Mysore State Muslim League:—*President*, Khan Saheb Mahmud Sheriff; *Vice-Presidents*, Mr. O. S. N. Sheriff, Mr. Mirza Azizulla Baig, and Mr. S. N. M. Razvi; *General Secretary*, Mr. Mohamad Valiulla; *Joint Secretries*, Mohamed Abdus Salam Saheb, Mohamed Abdul Jabbar Saheb and Syed Ibrahim Saheb Mumtaz; *Financial Secretary*, Hajee V. S. Abdur Rahman Saheb; and requested the Deputy Commissioner, Mandya District, to give sufficient land for the purpose of a burial ground for Musalmans at Nidgatta, Maddur Taluk.

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